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Applicant: Carson and Albani  
Application No.: 09/616,247  
Filed: July 14, 2000  
Title: VACCINE COMPOSITIONS AND METHODS USEFUL IN  
INDUCING IMMUNE PROTECTION AGAINST ARTHRITIC  
PEPTIDES INVOLVED IN THE PATHOGENESIS OF RHEUMATOID  
ARTHRITIS

Art Unit: 1645  
Examiner: P.A. Duffy  
Conf. No. 6658

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Transmitted herewith for the above-identified application please find:

- (1) Amendment in Response to the Office Action with Exhibits A-C (8 pages); and
- (2) Return Receipt Postcard.

No fee is deemed necessary in connection with the filing of this paper. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any other fees that may be required by this paper or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 07-1896. A duplicate copy of this Transmittal Letter is attached.

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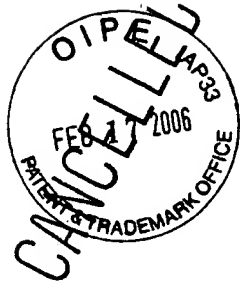
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**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO THE OFFICE ACTION**

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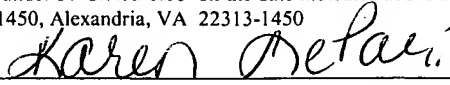
In response to the Office Action mailed October 18, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 4 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.

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